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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Skarpness**

Application No.: 09/263,918

Filed: March 05, 1999

For: METHOD FOR INTERFACING AN  
ATM NETWORK TO A PC BY  
IMPLEMENTING THE ATM  
SEGMENTATION AND  
REASSEMBLY FUNCTIONS IN PC  
SYSTEM SOFTWARE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231-9998

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Following is a complete set of claims as amended with this response, which includes amendments to claims 1, 5, 9, and 14.

- 1 1. (Twice Amended) A method comprising:
- 2 performing asynchronous transfer mode (ATM) segmentation functions with a
- 3 segmentation and reassembly (SAR) software module implemented in a central processing unit
- 4 (CPU) of a personal computer including,
- 5 receiving data to send;
- 6 segmenting the data to generate a plurality of ATM cells;